

Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY CANBERRA
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 3172
INFO AMEMBASSY BANGKOK
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AMCONSUL HONG KONG
AMEMBASSY JAKARTA
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E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: SREF
SUBJECT: SAGA OF SONG BE 12

REF: CANBERRA 8334

1. AFTER APPROX. FIVE MONTHS IT APPEARS THE SAGA OF SONG BE 12 HAS NOW ENDED. THE BOAT LEFT DARWIN ON MAY 3, 1978 FOR RETURN TO VIETNAM. THE SIX CREWMEN WHO HAD REFUSED TO TAKE PART IN THE HIGHJACKING LEFT WITH THE FREIGHTER.

2. SHORTLY AFTER LEAVING THE HARBOUR, THE SONG BE 12 LINKED UP WITH ITS OFFICIAL VIETNAMESE ESCORT VESSEL THE SONG CHU. BOTH VESSELS SEEM TO BE EXPERIENCING SOME ENGINE TROUBLE BUT NEITHER HAVE RETURNED TO PORT.
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